# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WINSTON-SALEM DIVISION

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, STATE OF COLORADO, STATE OF ILLINOIS, STATE OF INDIANA, STATE OF IOWA, STATE OF MINNESOTA, STATE OF NEBRASKA, STATE OF OREGON, STATE OF TENNESSEE, STATE OF TEXAS, STATE OF WASHINGTON, and STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION AG, SYNGENTA CORPORATION, SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, LLC, and CORTEVA, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:22-cv-00828-TDS-JEP

PLAINTIFFS' CONSENT MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO STRIKE JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b), Plaintiffs Federal Trade Commission and the states of California, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin, acting by and through their respective Attorneys General, respectfully move the Court for an extension of time of seven (7) days to file a Reply in support of Plaintiffs' Motion to Strike Jury Demand (Doc. 179) no later than May 8, 2024. Defendant Corteva, Inc. ("Corteva") does not oppose this motion.

In support of their motion, and showing good cause, Plaintiffs state the following:

- 1. Plaintiffs filed the Motion to Strike Corteva's Jury Demand (Doc. 179) pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38 on April 5, 2024.
- 2. Corteva filed its Response in Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion to Strike (Doc. 190) on April 17, 2024. As part of that Opposition, Corteva also cross-moved in the alternative for the Court to order a jury trial under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 39 (Docs. 189 and 190). Under LR 7.3(h), (f), Plaintiffs' Reply in support of the Motion to Strike is thus due on May 1, 2024, and their Response in Opposition to Corteva's newly filed Motion for Jury Trial is due on May 8, 2024.
- 3. Plaintiffs request a short extension of 7 days to file the Reply in support of the Motion to Strike so that they can file that Reply and their Opposition to Corteva's Motion for Jury Trial on the same day—May 8. This short extension is reasonable because the Motion to Strike and the Motion for a Jury Trial both relate to the issue of whether Corteva is entitled to a jury trial, and it would be more efficient for the Parties and the Court for Plaintiffs to respond to both filings on the same day.
- 4. Counsel for Plaintiffs has conferred with counsel for Corteva and Corteva does not object to this relief.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court enter an Order extending their time to file a Reply in support of their Motion to Strike (Doc. 179), to and including May 8, 2024. A proposed order is attached to this motion.

Dated: April 25, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

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